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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed August 1, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as noted below and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.